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CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE UPDATE – Study Session
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Vice Chair William Chester called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM. Commissioners in attendance were Michael Lewars, Maradel Gale, Jon Quitslund, Michael Killion and Lisa Macchio. J. Mack Pearl was absent and excused. City Staff present were Planning Director Gary Christensen, Senior City Planner Christy Carr and Administrative Specialist Jane Rasely who monitored recording and prepared minutes.

The agenda was reviewed. There were not any conflicts disclosed.

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None.

CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE

Senior City Planner Christy Carr began the discussion by providing an overview of the review packet the Commissioners received at the dais (see attached). The documents contained two versions of the whole Critical Areas Ordinance; one with strike-out, underline and one clean, updated version. Commissioner Quitslund began with his edits and each Commissioner was afforded the opportunity to suggest changes to the ordinance. Reasonable Use Exceptions were widely discussed and whether they applied to a property that had already been developed. There was also discussion of whether specific verbiage within the ordinance regarding ADA accessibility accommodations should be included.

Break began at 7:29 PM.

Discussion began again at 7:38 PM.

Ms. Carr introduced geologically hazardous areas and stated the City's geotechnical consultant would review this section and make recommendations in the future. Steep slope vegetation in steep slope buffers and setbacks was reviewed. She reminded the Commissioners that one of the goals she had for the Critical Areas Ordinance was to make it consistent with the Shoreline Master Program.

Mike Juneau, Arborist – Provided information to the Planning Commission on coppicing invasive species.

Commissioner Macchio asked Ms. Carr if there was a way to provide language in the ordinance that would allow owners to perform small maintenance on trees such as removing branches hanging too close to a chimney, etc., without having to hire an arborist or applying for a City permit.

Mr. Juneau spoke about the need to allow homeowners to trim trees around their homes which he stated was a large portion of their work.

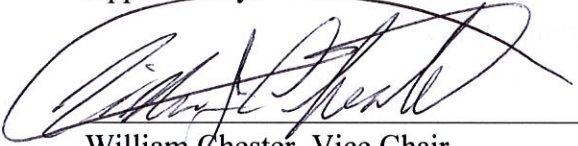
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The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM.

Approved by:


William Chester, Vice Chair


Jane Rasely, Administrative Specialist



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